



Memorandum

TO: PUBLIC SAFETY, FINANCE AND
STRATEGIC SUPPORT
COMMITTEE

FROM: Christopher Godley, CEM
Director of Emergency
Services

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: August 10, 2011

Approved:

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SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT ON BAY AREA REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (BayRICS)

RECOMMENDATION

Accept update on establishment and City participation in the Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications System (BayRICS) JPA.

OUTCOME

To provide the first monthly update on the BayRICS JPA to the PSFSS Committee.

BACKGROUND

This report on the BayRICS JPA is presented to inform the Committee of the status of the JPA as well as recent City actions related to the JPA. The City Council approved the City's participation in the BayRICS Joint Powers Authority (JPA) on May 29, 2011. BayRICS was created in 2011 to engage in regional, cooperative planning and coordination of governmental services and to develop the systems and other communications/data system projects that promote interoperability in the Bay Area. BayRICS has been adopted by a sufficient number of jurisdictions to begin operations.

ANALYSIS

On July 26th, the Mayor appointed representatives to the BayRICS JPA Board of Directors:

Director	Michelle McGurk, Senior Policy Advisor/PIO to the Mayor
Alternate	Christopher Godley, Director of Emergency Services

The Board of Directors met for its first meeting on August 8th. At that meeting, the Board elected officers:

Chairperson	Richard Lucia, Undersheriff, County of Alameda
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Vice Chairperson	Michelle McGurk, Senior Policy Advisor, City of San Jose
Treasurer	Emily Harrison, Asst. County Administrator, County of Santa Clara
Secretary	Dennis Smiley, County of Sonoma

The Board ratified the establishment and membership of the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) which will consist of representatives of JPA member agencies. The TAG is charged with supporting the JPA by assisting in the Build, Own, Operate and Maintain (BOOM) negotiations with Motorola for the current Broadband Technology Opportunity Program (BTOP) project. The TAG will also review and recommend to the Board policies and procedures related to systems performance, maintenance and other technical issues.

The Board confirmed the appointment of Emily Harrison as Chair of the Build, Own, Operate and Maintain (BOOM) Negotiating Committee.

The Board will continue efforts to develop bylaws, a website and retain legal services as well as procure insurance.

The JPA Board will meet again in special session on August 22nd to address the status of the BOOM negotiations. The Board will also continue to meet monthly in regular session.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

City staff is working to make the initial payment to the JPA for San Jose's annual membership fee (\$24,500).

/s/
CHRISTOPHER GODLEY, CEM
Director of Emergency Services

For questions, please contact Christopher Godley, Director of Emergency Services at 277-4595.